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Library Names Congressional Research Service Reading Room after Senators La Follette

The reading room of the Congressional Research Service in the James Madison Memorial Building of the Library of Congress was named the La Follette Congressional Reading Room in a ceremony at the Library of Congress on March 4. The designation of the reading room, approved by the Congressional Joint Committee on the Library, honors Robert Marion La Follette and his son, Robert Marion La Follette, Jr., for their contributions to the development of reference and research services in support of the legislative function in American government. This is only the second time a room has been named this way in the Madison Building. The first was the Mumford Room in honor of the previous Librarian of Congress.

As Republican Governor of Wisconsin at the turn of the century, the senior Robert M. La Follette established a legislative reference service for the state among his other influential reforms. Later, during his three terms as U.S. Senator from Wisconsin, he sponsored the amendment in 1914 that established the Legislative Reference Service within the Library of Congress. Subsequently his son, who also became a senator from Wisconsin, was instrumental in the enactment of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, that greatly expanded the service's duties and functions, and set the stage for the Reorganization Act of 1970, under which the Congressional Research Service now operates.

Senator Charles McC. Mathias, Jr., Vice Chairman of the Joint Committee on the Library, and Representative Mary Rose Oakar, Chairman of the Task Force on Libraries and Memorials of the Committee on House Administration, took part in the ceremony which coincided with the 100th anniversary of the senior Senator La Follette's taking the oath of office as congressman.

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Earlier in the afternoon, a symposium was held for invited participants. Following opening remarks by Librarian of Congress Daniel J. Boorstin, and Congressional Research Service Director Gilbert Gude, David Thelan, professor of history at the University of Missouri made a presentation on "The Role of La Follette and the Progressives in the Development of the Informed Legislator." After that, Roger H. Davidson, senior specialist in American national government and public administration, Congressional Research Service, chaired a discussion of "How Lawmakers Use Information Resources in Making Decisions."

The proceedings were sponsored in part by funding from the U.S. Capitol Historical Society, the Carl Albert Congressional Research and Studies Center, the Evjue Foundation of Madison, Wisconsin, and the John W. McCormack Institute of Public Affairs at the University of Massachusetts.

New York Chamber Soloists Presents an Evening of Bach Harpsichord Pieces

Rarely performed works by Johann Sebastian Bach composed for one, two, three, and four harpsichords and strings are the highlight of a concert on Friday, March 15, at 8 p.m. in the Coolidge Auditorium. Harpsichordists Edward Brewer, Elizabeth Metcalfe, James Richman, and Harriet Wingreen, with the New York Chamber Soloists, will perform the Concerto in D minor for harpsichord and strings, BWV 1052; the Concerti in C minor and C major for two harpsichords and strings, BWV 1060 and BWV 1061; the Concerto in D minor for three harpsichords and strings, BWV 1063; and the Concerto in A minor for four harpsichords and strings, BWV 1065.

The other members of the string orchestra will be violinists Helen Kwalwasser and Hamao Fujiwara; violist Ynez Lynch; cellist Joshua Gordon; and double bassist Julius Levine.

The concert is being sponsored by the Mae and Irving Jurow Fund, established in the Library of Congress to support chamber music concerts featuring the harpsichord.

Tickets for the concert on March 15 will be distributed at the Washington Performing Arts Society box office, 1330 G St., N.W. (Jordan-Kitt's), beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, March 11. Two tickets

Harpsichord, from the Syntagma musicum *by M. Praetorius, 1619.*

will be distributed to an individual, with a 25-cent service charge for each ticket. Phone orders may be placed by calling 393-4463 between 8:30 and 9:30 a.m. Mail orders will not be accepted.

The concert will be broadcast live over radio station WETA-FM.

Group Launches Public Test of Online Dewey Decimal Data

The Dewey Decimal Classification (DDC) Online Project, sponsored by the Council on Library Resources, Forest Press, and OCLC—the Ohio-based online bibliographic data base service—is testing the

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STAFF NEWS

David Wigdor Is New Assistant Chief of Manuscript Division

David Wigdor, a specialist in twentieth-century political history in the Manuscript Division, has been promoted to the position of assistant chief of the division effective February 18. He succeeds Paul T. Heffron, who retired in September 1983.

Mr. Wigdor has held the position of specialist since September 1975 and has been at the senior level for the past six years. Before coming to the Library, he spent two years with the Division of Public Programs, National Endowment for the Humanities, and a year as research scientist at Human Sciences Research, Inc., in McLean, Va. Mr. Wigdor's additional Government service has been as historian with the Army's Office of Military History and earlier as a commanding officer of the Army's 35th Military History Detachment in Vietnam. In 1971–72, he was assistant professor of history at The Lindenwood Colleges, St. Charles, Mo.

David Wigdor

Mr. Wigdor was born in Cape Girardeau, Mo. He received his doctorate in 1968 from the University of Missouri in Columbia. He is a member of the American Historical Association, the Organization of American Historians, and the Society of American Archivists and has served on committees of each association. In recent years, he has taught in the American Studies Program of George Washington University and has served on grant review committees and reviewed grant proposals for the National Endowment for the Humanities and other public and private agencies. Mr. Wigdor has participated on panels at historical conferences dealing with a variety of topics. In 1982, at the request of the U.S. Information Agency, he lectured in India and Pakistan where he discussed aspects of American constitutionalism.

As a specialist in twentieth-century political history, Mr. Wigdor has been instrumental in the Library's acquiring and adding to many manuscript collections, among them the papers of Benjamin Cohen, Edward Brooke, Shirley Hufstedler, Daniel Moynihan, The National Women's Party, Abraham Ribicoff, and Skelly Wright. He was runner-up for the Allan Nevins Prize for his *Roscoe Pound: Philosopher of Law* (Westport, 1974). His published articles include those on the research value of Senators' papers, the legislative history of the Public Documents Act, reform and the administrative process, and popular articles on the juncture of politics and drama for program notes of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. His reviews of books on topics such as legal philosophy, the reform tradition, and state constitutional development have appeared in the *American Historical Review,* the *Journal of American History,* and the *Journal of Legal History.*

Mr. Wigdor is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and has been a Woodrow Wilson Fellow and a Gregory Fellow.

Ronald O. Wilson Is Awarded Service Pin

On December 18, Ronald O. Wilson, a library assistant in the Additions and Corrections Unit of the Catalog Management and Publication Division, was presented a 20-year Federal Service Award pin by Gloria Hsia, chief of the division.

Mr. Wilson's Federal career began in 1964 with the U.S. Department of State. In 1968, he joined the Library of Congress staff as a production assistant and arranger in the Production Unit of the former Catalog Maintenance and Catalog Publication Division. Mr. Wilson advanced to more responsible positions in the Card Preparation Section and later in the Card Catalog Editorial Section. Mr. Wilson was promoted to his current position in 1977. He received an outstanding performance rating and a quality increase in 1983.

A native of the District of Columbia, Mr. Wilson is a graduate of Roosevelt High School. He is an avid reader and enjoys writing.

Health Services Professionals Available to Library Employees

Some employees may not be aware that there are two professionals in the Library's Health Services Office who offer psychological, alcohol, and drug counseling—Dr. Randolph Frank and Anne Wilson.

Dr. Randolph A. Frank

Dr. Randolph Frank, psychiatric consultant for the Library's Health Services Office, began his career with the U.S. Public Health Service immediately after World War II. Internal medicine was his specialty but be became interested in psychiatry when he realized that many physical ailments seemed linked to underlying emotional tensions or conflicts. He came to Washington, D.C., in the mid-1950s, to work as a practicing psychiatrist with the National Institute of Mental Health. For the past 20 years, he has been a consulting psychiatrist with the Library of Congress.

Dr. Frank considers his main function in the Health Services Office to be that of a consultant for psychiatric evaluation and referral. People are either self-referred (walk-in), or they are referred to him because of a work-performance problem. Dr. Frank feels that if an employee is having significant problems which interfere either with his or her work or personal life, a consultation may be necessary. He offers basic help to any employee who comes to him and is authorized at the Library to give diagnostic evaluation and referral for treatment. He can set up long-term counseling or therapy sessions.

Employees do not necessarily have to be referred to Dr. Frank by their supervisors. Employees themselves may self-refer, or call for an appointment. Dr. Frank commented that many employees do self-refer again for either evaluation or referral or to talk about some personal or job-related problem. There is no charge for any of Dr. Frank's services and all sessions he holds with an employee are absolutely confidential. Anything that he might write would be in an individual's Health Service folder and not in a personnel record. He could talk, with the individual's permission, to nurses or responsible health personnel in the Health Services Office.

Appointments to talk with Dr. Frank are scheduled through Valerie Ellis, Health Services Office supervisor, ext. 78115. Dr. Frank is at the Library every Tuesday morning for a period of 2 to 3 hours and is available for consultation by appointment during that time.

Anne Wilson, the new alcohol and drug counselor for the Library of Congress, describes herself as straightforward, openminded, and willing to help others. These are also traits that serve her well as both a nurse and counselor. Mrs. Wilson feels that these qualities are built through thrust and hard work. She says she believes that all counseling begins with an assumption that all individuals have solutions to their own problems and that inside each individual is the capacity to assume responsibility for his or her own actions, given the consistent understanding support of others. She says her most rewarding moments have been those offering counseling, caring, and support.

Mrs. Wilson has been employed with the Library's Health Services Office since early 1982, as a full-time occupational health nurse. Before coming to the Library, she was a staff nurse and alcoholism counselor at the Washington Hospital Center's inpatient alcohol and drug detoxification unit for two years.

Born in New York City, Mrs. Wilson graduated from New York University's Bellevue Hospital, College of Medicine, Division of Nursing, in 1959. She completed one year of alcoholism education at South Oaks Hospital in Amityville, N.Y., and earned her N.Y. State Regents Certificate as an alcoholism counselor.

In 1981, she completed her studies and was awarded a bachelor of arts degree in education from George Washington University with a major in human services. In 1984, she earned a master of arts degree in employee assistance counseling at Trinity College. She is now certified as an alcoholism and drug counselor in Washington, D.C., and has more than 10 years of experience as an alcoholism counselor.

Patricia Anne Wilson

As the alcoholism and drug counselor for the Library of Congress, Mrs. Wilson is available to meet with any employee who has an alcohol or drug-abuse problem or who is concerned about a family member or friend who has this problem. She can be reached from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday through Friday, ext. 78117. All information is private and confidential.

Women's Program Advisory Committee Sponsors Program on Sexual Harassment

The Women's Program Advisory Committee will sponsor a discussion on sexual harassment on Wednesday, March 20, at 10 a.m. in the Mumford Room (LM 649). Virginia Burke, the former program director of the Office of Personnel Management Equal Employment Training Institute, will lead the discussion. Joining Ms. Burke after her presentation to assist with the question-and-answer period will be Al McEwen from the Equal Employment Opportunity Complaints Office and General Counsel John J. Kominski. Staff members may attend with the prior approval of their supervisor.

Staff Activities

Gilbert Gude, (opposite, far right) director of the Congressional Research Service, chats with Henry Luce, Jr., (far left) president of the Henry Luce Foundation Inc., and William J. Baroody, (center) director of the American Enterprise Institute, at the opening session of a seminar conducted for new Members of the 99th

On February 8, the Jakarta Office held a luncheon to honor three staff members who will complete 20 years of service with the Library of Congress this year. The luncheon was held on the actual anniversary for **Suwoto bin Darso. Guus A. Kamaril's** anniversary was March 1 and **Abdul Suchud's** is August 30. Pictured (left to right) are Suwoto bin Darso, Abdul Suchud, Guus A. Kamaril, and John C. Crawford, Field Director, Jakarta.

The occasion served as a reminder of the debt of gratitude owed to all Foreign Service national staff members for their hard work and devotion which make the overseas programs so successful.

During its first 20 years, the Jakarta Office has processed over 3.2 million publications.

Congress in Williamsburg, Va., January 4–8. The Congressional Research Service joined the American Enterprise Institute and the Brookings Institution in sponsoring the three-day briefing on key legislative issues. Attended by 23 Members of Congress, the event was funded by the Henry Luce Foundation.

Alan Jabbour, director of the American Folklife Center, co-edited the selections and notes for *The Edden Hammons Collection: Historic Recordings of Traditional Fiddle Music from the Louis Watson Chapell Archive,* recently published by West Virginia University Press. The LP disk contains 15 tunes played by the renowned West Virginia fiddler Edden Hammons (c. 1874–1955), and is the first publication to present his playing. Mr. Jabbour documented other family members during the early 1970s, along with Folklife Center staff member **Carl Fleischhauer;** their work resulted in the LP-set *The Hammons Family* (Library of Congress L65–L66, 1973).

The Chinese New Year was celebrated on Wednesday, February 20, by nearly 60 staff members at a special luncheon. The buffet dining room was decorated with art work and Chinese-character cutouts that were created by **Rita Sun** of the Descriptive Cataloging Division. **Brian Hazelwood** of the ARA Food Services prepared Chinese food for the event. **Tsai-Hong Miller** of the Copyright Office directed a small choir which sang "Gung Hsi, Gung Hsi" (Happy New Year) and other Chinese folk songs to usher in 4683, the year of the Ox.

William R. Nugent, assistant director of the Automated Systems Office, presented "An Overview of Various Optical Disk Technologies," to the Federal Council on Computer Storage Standards and Technology on February 8 at the National Bureau of Standards in Gaithersburg, Md. He described the multiple forms of optical storage including digital disks and analog disks; the hybrid forms of digital-on-analog disks and analog-on-digital disks; and the newest varieties of erasable optical storage. Mr. Nugent, who is the Library's representative on the American National Standards Institute Technical Committee on Optical Data Disks (ANSI X3BII), also reported briefly on the emerging optical-disk standards being established by this committee.

Charles H. Whittier, specialist in religion and public policy in the Government Division, was among those invited to a luncheon on January 25 at the Heritage Foundation. Raphael Israeli, senior lecturer at Hebrew University's Center for Middle Eastern Studies, was the featured speaker. Dr. Israeli discussed the Islamic Revival and its impact on the Arab-Israeli conflict. He emphasized the worldwide character and diversity of the continuing resurgence of Islamic traditionalism and its political effects.

Personnel Changes

Appointments: Norris Lindsey, physical science technician, GS–7, R&T, 40797; John Moore, economist, GS–16, CRS ENR, 40438; Paula Saunders, editorial clerk, GS–5, CRS E, 40828; Leo Schumacher, supervisory printing specialist, GS–12, CS, 40869; Lynn Smith, editorial clerk, GS–5, CRS EPW, 40893.

Temporary Appointments: Jill Roberts, library technician, GT–6, P&P, NP; Angela Sharpe, clerk/messenger, GS–3, NLS/BPH, N122B; Elizabeth Turner, social science analyst, GS–5, CRS ENR, NP.

Reappointments: Dorothy Hirsch, library technician, GS–6, Subj Cat, NP; Jeffrey Kessel, library technician, GS–5, CRS L, 40809; Lauren Larsen, library technician, GS–5, Cop Acq & Proc, NP; Renee Sampson, clerk-typist, GS–3, Cop Reg, NP.

Promotions: Dennis Hawkes, to supervisory librarian, GS–9, Col Mgmt, 40847; George Hungerford, to librarian, GS–11, CRS L, 40887; Georgia Johnson, to accounts clerk, GS–4, FMO, 40941; John Lewis, to supervisory librarian, GS–9, Col Mgmt, 40845; Robert Nickel, to audio-visual production officer, GS–13, CRS AIS, 40976; Ronald Roache II, to supervisory librarian, GS–9, Col Mgmt, 40846.

Resignations: Evelyn Bennett, P&S; Andrea Turner, FMO; Eva Shade, Photodup; Tom Shick, Mss; Deborah Stem, Loan.

NISO Subcommittee on a Common Command Language Meets in Ohio

The National Information Standards Organization (NISO) Z39-G subcommittee working to develop a common command language for interactive information retrieval met in Dublin, Ohio, at OCLC on February 1 and 2. The goal of the subcommittee is to suggest a set of standard commands for use in online systems in order to make information retrieval easier and more efficient for both experienced and new users.

The subcommittee spent the two days in intense and lively discussion, according to Margaret Morrison, automated reference services specialist, General Reading Rooms, Library of Congress. The first day and a half were devoted to search commands, while the afternoon of the second day was spent on display commands, she reported. Other tasks were assigned to smaller groups, whose preliminary reports are due by the middle of March. The final report is expected to be ready for submission to NISO by late summer.

Charles Hildreth (OCLC) chaired the meetings, which were also attended by Wilhelm Bartenbach, H. W. Wilson Co.; Harry Boyle, Chemical Abstracts Service; Kathy Klemperer, University of California Systemwide; Joseph Matthews, Joseph Matthews Associates; Margaret Morrison, Library of Congress; Emily Fayen, University of Pennsylvania; and Lawrence Woods, University of Notre Dame. Helen Bell, SDC ORBIT, sat in as an observer. Charles Bourne of Lockheed DIALOG and Richard Marcus of M.I.T. were unable to attend.

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DDC as a searcher's tool for subject access, browsing, and display in an online public access catalog at the Library of Congress and other libraries this spring. The principal investigator is Karen Markey, research scientist at OCLC.

One version of the experimental online catalog developed for this project features the DDC as a retrieval tool; the other, for comparison, does not. Both versions will be available in the Social Science Reading Room from April 9 to May 3, 1985, and in the Decimal Classification Division during the rest of May. The catalog, which will include works on economics, trade, and management, has already been tested at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign with works on mathematics. It will also be tested in Ohio at the Public Library of Columbus and Franklin County with works on sports, recreation, and performing arts, and at the New York State Library with works on New York history and geography.

While the catalog is in the Library of Congress Social Science Reading Room, patrons and staff are invited to experiment with the system. In addition, patrons are invited to participate in formal testing from April 9 to May 2, and staff from April 29 to May 3. Interested persons should contact Peggy Morrison, automated reference services specialist, General Reading Rooms. Library staff who wish to search informally May 6 to 31 should contact Julianne Beall, Decimal Classification Division, on ext. 76986.

Hungary's Central Committee Chairman Visits the Library

Chairman Ferenc Havasi offers to sign a copy of a book by him in the Library's collections—Our Economic Policy *(Budapest, 1983, in Hungarian). Behind him is Viktor Polgar, cultural attaché of the Hungarian Embassy, and to the right is John C. Broderick, Assistant Librarian for Research Services.*

The highest-ranking member of the Hungarian government to have visited Washington in 20 years, Ferenc Havasi, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Hungarian Socialist Worker's Party and a member of the Politburo, visited the Library of Congress on January 27. Chairman Havasi was greeted by John C. Broderick, Assistant Librarian for Research Services, for a tour of the Thomas Jefferson Building that included a demonstration of LOCIS, the library's information retrieval system. Chairman Havasi examined one of the Library's treasures from Hungary, the illuminated 14th-century Nekcsei-Lipócz Bible, and was presented a copy of a rare 1949 Library of Congress publication about it written by Mata Harrsen.

Library Visitors during January

Each month, the Educational Liaison Office of the Library of Congress arranges appointments, programs, and tours for hundreds of official visitors, including representatives of foreign governments, librarians, and other professionals. In January, the Library hosted 765 official visitors, including the following:

From Abroad

Algeria—Nacereddine Saidouni, director, Institute of History, and director, Studies for Modern African History, University of Algiers.

Argentina—Raul Eduardo Baglini, deputy, Chamber of Deputies, Buenos Aires.

Brazil—Jamil Abrão Maluf Filho, principal conductor, São Paulo Municipal Youth Symphony Orchestra, São Paulo.

Chad—Moukhtar Bachar Moukhtar, director general, Ministry of National Education, and president, University of Chad, Ndjamena.

Chile—His Excellency Hernan Felipe Errazuariz, Ambassador of Chile to the United States, Washington, D.C.; Andres Rodriguez Perez, director, Cultural Corporation of Santiago.

China—Foreign Language Publishing Delegation, Foreign Languages Publication and Distribution Bureau, Beijing.

Costa Rica—Humberto Morales Guzman, director, Technical Services, Legislative Assembly, San José.

Egypt—His Excellency El Sayed Abdel Raouf El Reedy, Ambassador of Egypt to the United States, Washington, D.C.

Finland—Pirjo Suutarinen, head, Information Services, Central Medical Library, Helsinki.

France—Ann Dominique Rives, head, Press and Information Services, Embassy of France, Washington, D.C.

Hungary—Gyorgy Vukan, jazz pianist, composer, Budapest.

Ireland—The Most Reverend Thomas Morris, Archbishop of Tipperary.

Mexico—Alfonso Garcia-Cacho, director, Miguel Aleman Foundation, Mexico City.

Norway—BIBSYS Delegation, Library Automation Network System, Norwegian University Libraries.

Oman—Mohammed Hamed Nasser Al-Amry, library officer, Sultan Qaboos University Project, Ruwi.

Poland—Pawel Brodowski, editor-in-chief, "Jazz Forum," Warsaw; Jadwiga Kiwerska, senior researcher and historian, Western Institute, Poznan; Josef Patkowski, composer and associate professor, Krakow Music Academy, Krakow.

Senegal—Papa Wongue Mbengue, director, Training and Promotion, Motion Picture Association, Dakar.

Somalia—Faduma Ahmed Alim, vice-minister, Ministry of Culture and Higher Education, Mogadishu.

South Africa—Gerhard Swanepoel, chief librarian, Parliament of the Republic of South Africa, Cape Town; Hans Boon, head, Department of Librarianship and Information Science, University of Pretoria.

South Korea—Cho Kook-Jeong, curator, National Museum of Modern Art; Youn Bum-Mo, curator, Dongguk University Museum, Seoul; Kim Bok-Yung, art critic, Chunchon.

Sudan—Severino Matti, director, Directorate of Culture and Information, Equatorial Region, Juba.

Venezuela—Carmen Josefina D'Escrivan de Cardenas, director, Pedro Grases Library, Metropolitan University, Caracas.

Yugoslavia—Zdravko Colic, editor-in-chief, "Borba," Belgrade; Mario Susko, professor, English Language and Literature, University of Sarajevo.

Zaire—Kunkadi Kantu, director, Institute for Scientific Research and Center for Research in Agriculture and Food Production, Lubumbashi.

From the United States

Ronald Dubberly, city librarian, Seattle, Washington.

Elizabeth K. Gay, central library director, Los Angeles, California.

Florence Hayes, associate serials librarian, Cornell University Libraries, Ithaca, New York.

The White House Fellows, Washington, D.C.

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